

Georgia } I do hereby Certify that this is a true
Echols County } Copy of the last will and Testament of
H. L. Nicks Deceased as so Recorded in my office
given under my hand and seal of office this
the 3rd day of February 1879

John Hinson
Ordinary of Echols County

Georgia }
State of Georgia }
Echols County }

I Eligah Carter being of sound
~~and~~ disposing mind and memory and being
desirous of settling my worldly affairs while I have
strength so to do. do make and publish this my last
will and testament hereby revoking all wills heretofore
at any time made by me:

First committing my soul to God who gave it and
in whom I put my trust. I desire that my body be
buried at Statesville in a respectable manner suitable
to my circumstances in life.
Second I desire that my just debts be paid by my Execu-
tor as herein after mentioned.

Third I give and bequeath to my son James Carter
and my Daughters Sally & Hally and Ann Mary
Carter each One dollar.

Fourth I give & bequeath and devise unto my beloved Wife
Percilla my home land and farm being that part of
lot of land number fifty three in the sixteenth district
of said County lying North of a line made through
said lot by J. D. Prescott & myself by blazing trees
and on which I now live containing 24.51 acres
more or less with all the appertinances there to or in any
wise belonging to the same in fee simple.
My Horse Cart plantation implements and tools of
all kinds and provisions of all sorts and crops of
every sort thereon, and all household and kitchen furni-
ture & bedding & bed clothing. also my Horse or Mare
horse hogs and goats for and during her natural
life. And after her death, the home land provisions
of all sorts and crops herein mentioned go to my
two Daughters Rebecca and Laura H. Carter. Share

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Fourth continued, and shears a like, and the horse cart and kitchen & horse hold furniture & bedding plantation tools &c to be divided equally between my son Stephen & my daughters Rebecca & Laura just mentioned shears & shears a like.

Eighth

Durely constitute and appoint my son Stephen Carter executor of this my last will and testament, setting apart to him one fourth interest in the cane mill between me & S. C. Carter and all my business money not and accounts heretofore reserved, out of which he shall pay my debts and all cost & expenses in probating and executing this my will burial expenses of my self & wife.

In testimony whereof I have to affix my hand and seal this 17th day of May 1877.

Elijah Carter [L.S.]

Signed Sealed and published & declared by the above Elijah Carter as his last will and testament.

In presence of us who at his request in presence of each other have

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J. F. H. H. H.

John, H. H. H.

Ordinary

Georgia }
Echols County } In person appeared before me John Hammond Judge of the Court of Ordinary in & for said County, Josiah D. Risott, William A. H. H. who being duly sworn say that the foregoing Writing contains the last Will and testament of the property of Elijah Carter late of said County deceased, and set forth the distribution of his effects as he desired that each of us were well acquainted with him for many years before his death and was present at the Execution of his will believe he was in his proper mind at the time he signed and each signed the same as a witness.

Sworn to and subscribed before me in open Court the first Monday and fifth day of November A.D. 1878, and after administering the Oath signed the same as one of said witnesses. The interlining between the 17th line made before signing

W. A. Ham.

Jesse, A. Prescott.

John Herndon
Ordinary

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Ordinary

State of Georgia }
Echols County } I Stephen Carter do solemnly swear
that the foregoing writing contains the true last Will of the
within named Elijah Carter deceased so far as I know
or believe and that I will well and truly Execute the
same in accordance with the laws of this State so
help me God.

Stephen Carter. Executor.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 5th day of Novem-
ber 1883.

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John Herndon
Ordinary

Recorded this 30th day June 1903.

R. F. Brice.

Ordinary